## Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Charter Amendment Measure 2

These proposed changes REDUCE the qualifications for the elected City Attorney and City Clerk and remove the independent oversight by the City Treasurer. Reducing the technical qualifications for any job, but especially for elected officials, is never a good idea for the residents of the City. The ABA accredited law school requirement for the elected City Attorney signifies that the attorney graduated with a more rigorous education than other law schools without the accreditation. Voters understood this and approved the requirement in 2010. In addition, voters expect that the elected City Treasurer provide INDEPENDENT oversight of the City's finances by creating and submitting monthly reporting. If this function is eliminated, then the role of the City Treasurer becomes meaningless. Why would voters want an elected City Treasurer that provided no independent oversight? Additionally, the Councilmembers' arguments that this proposed Amendment to the City Charter will depoliticize the process of filling a vacancy on City Council is completely not true. In fact, the only way to depoliticize the process for the filling of the vacant City Council seat is to conduct a Special Election so that the people can vote for a candidate to fill that vacant seat. This proposed Amendment makes changes to the City Charter that might be in the best interests of City Council by giving City Council MORE POWER but these changes are NOT in the best interests of the residents of Huntington Beach. Vote NO.

The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the Rebuttal to Argument in favor of Charter Amendment Measure 2 at the General Municipal Election for the City of Huntington Beach to be held on November 8, 2022, hereby states that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

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All arguments concerning measures filed pursuant to Division 9, Chapter 3 (beginning with § 9200) of the Elections Code shall be accompanied by the following form statement **to be signed** by each proponent, and by each author, if different, of the argument:

The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the (primary/rebuttal) argument (in favor of/against) Charter Amendment Measure 2 at the General Municipal Election for the City of Huntington Beach to be held on November 8, 2022, hereby state that the argument is true and correct to the best of (his/her/their) knowledge and belief.

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All Authors must print his/her name and sign this form (EC 9600)

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Print his/her name and sign the Argument itself (EC 9283)

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Print his/her name and sign the Rebuttal Argument itself (EC 9285)

Further, pursuant to Election Code § 9282, printed arguments submitted to the voters shall be titled either "Argument In Favor Of Measure \_\_" or "Argument Against Measure \_\_".

Likewise, printed rebuttal arguments submitted pursuant to Election Code § 9285 shall be titled either "Rebuttal To Argument In Favor Of Measure \_\_\_" or "Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure \_\_\_".

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"Arguments in support or opposition of the proposed laws are the opinions of the authors."